

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LANCASTER ARCHITECTURAL AND DESIGN COMMISSION

March 1, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Bartlett called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

OATH OF OFFICE

Chairperson Bartlett informed the Commissioners that Commissioners Russell Bartholet and Kathryn Carlson were administered the Oath of Office prior to today's meeting. Chairperson Bartlett welcomed the new Commissioners to the Architectural and Design Commission.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Bartholet led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Chairperson Bartlett called for nomination for the office of Vice Chair. Chairperson Bartlett nominated Commissioner Russell Bartholet and Commissioner Amanda Hawse seconded. Motion carried with the following vote (6-0-0-0).

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Carlson, Hawse, Mercy, Wiley, Vice Chair Bartholet and Chairperson Bartlett.

ABSENT: None.

Also present were the following: Brian Ludicke (Planning Director), Chuen Ng (Associate Planner), Shirley Corder (Recording Secretary), and an audience of ten, including Norm Hickling from Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich's office.

PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING COMMISSIONERS

Chairperson Bartlett presented plaques to outgoing Commissioners Matt Buchanan, Diana Cook, Sandra Pursely and Courtney Stallworth in recognition and appreciation for their dedication and service to the citizens, staff, and Architectural and Design Commission of the City of Lancaster.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Commissioner Mercy and seconded by Chairperson Bartlett to approve the minutes from the Meeting of January 5, 2012. Motion carried with the following vote (4-0-2-0).

AYES: Commissioners Hawse, Mercy, and Chairperson Bartlett.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: Commissioners Bartholet and Carlson.

ABSENT: None.

CONTINUED BUSINESS**2. DRAFT MASTER PLAN OF TRAILS AND BIKEWAYS UPDATE**

Brian Ludicke stated that the City Council adopted the Master Plan of Trails and Bikeways at its January meeting. He indicated that staff is still working with Ryan Snyder to finalize the Plan and make it available on the web. He stated further that Staff is currently using the Plan as a guide for prioritizing and selecting projects for the upcoming Capital Improvement Budget. As a result, he expects to see physical improvements within the year.

NEW BUSINESS**3. PRESENTATION OF MACC CIVIC ART PROGRAM BY LETITIA FERNANDEZ IVINS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF CIVIC ART, LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION**

Chairperson Bartlett introduced Letitia Fernandez Ivins from the Los Angeles County Arts Commission. Ms. Ivins began her presentation by asking each Commissioner to state what they miss when they leave the Antelope Valley. Answers included: the open roads, lack of smog, home, community/friends and the open sky. Ms. Ivins gave a PowerPoint presentation that outlined Los Angeles County's Civic Art Program. Ms. Ivins stated that the Civic Art Policy was adopted by the County Board of Supervisors in December 2004 and there are over 130 artworks in the County's collection. The guiding principles of the Civic Art Program are: high quality, innovation, site-specific material, civic engagement/community participation, and transformative pieces. These same principles would be applied to the MACC facility. The Commissioners got the opportunity to see works in progress at the Malibu Library, East Rancho Dominguez Library and the MLK Center for Public Health.

Ms. Ivins stated that \$250,000 has been allocated for the MACC project. She explained that each project has a unique selection panel and the same will hold true for the MACC project. The panel will consist of members from: Fifth Supervisorial District, Health Services, Chief Executive Office, Department of Public Works, Project Architect/design Builder, Arts Commissioner from District, Design Commissioner, City of Lancaster, Community Member, Arts Professional and a Civic Art Project Manager who serves as a non-voting advisor to facilitate consensus.

Another component of the MACC project encompasses what the artwork must do since the art is site-specific. Ms. Ivins stated the following is true for this MACC facility:

- The artwork will reflect the community and history of the Antelope Valley and look toward the future.
- The artwork will be uplifting and humanizing.
- The artwork will be integrated into the building and enhance the architecture.
- The artwork will be welcoming to the patients, staff and visitors.
- The artwork will be easily maintainable.
- The artwork will make a statement and strengthen and complement the identity of the MACC and the City.
- The selected artist will engage the community, specifically art students.

After the presentation, Commissioner Hawse introduced Andi Campognone, who is with Lancaster's Museum of Art and History. Commissioner Hawse stated that Ms. Campognone would be a valuable asset on the Panel because of her experience helping the City of Pomona create their Art Plan.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR – NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m. to the Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 5, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. in the Parks, Recreation & Arts Large Conference Room.

APRIL BARTLETT, Chairperson
Lancaster Architectural and Design Commission

ATTEST:

BRIAN S. LUDICKE, Planning Director
City of Lancaster